Open with a Purpose: Taking Action to Build Structural Equity and Inclusion

UWC Library is once again celebrating International Open Access Week with libraries around the world under the theme: Open with a purpose: Taking action to build structural equity and inclusion.

During this week the library will host a number of webinars and presentations as well as Figshare international competition on uploading research data, for more information about the competition email us on rdm-support@uwc.ac.za.

You are cordially invited to join us by registering via the link on these exciting webinars:

WELCOME: DR SHIRLENE NEERPUTH - LIBRARY DIRECTOR
DATA INTENSIVE RESEARCH AT UWC BY PROF M VACCARI, DIRECTOR eRESEARCH AT UWC
THE CARPENTRIES IN AFRICA BY DR ANGELIQUE VAN RENSBURG, THE CARPENTRIES
10:00 - 11:00
Facilitators: Sarah Schafer & Mattia Vaccari

Register in advance for this webinar: https://uwc.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_utFwWqOpSPyl4Nd9i81tQA

Angelique van Rensburg, PhD (Educational Psychology), is the Regional Consultant for Southern Africa at The Carpentries and an Extraordinary Researcher at Optentia Research Focus Area, North-West University, Vaal Triangle Campus. Angelique aims at developing strategies and workflows to adapt The Carpentries’ membership and workshop programmes to function optimally in Southern Africa. In addition, her role aims to assist and advise in developing a plan to create and support a strong team of volunteer instructors across Africa.

Mattia Vaccari is Director of eResearch and Astroinformatics Research Professor at UWC, and he coordinates UWC’s Data Intensive Research emerging niche, which brings together researchers from different fields to foster multi-disciplinary collaboration in big data science. He has worked as a Research Scientist at Imperial College London, the University of Padova and UWC, working at the junction between astronomical instrumentation, big data processing technologies and extragalactic astrophysics.
**INTRODUCTION TO FIGSHARE**

**BY MS MEGAN HARDEMAN, HEAD OF ENGAGEMENT AT FIGSHARE**

**UWC RDM SERVICES BY MR MARK SNYDERS, MANAGER SCHOLARLY COMMUNICATIONS, UWC LIBRARY SERVICES**

10:00 - 11:00

Facilitator: Mark Snyders

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Megan Hardeman is head of engagement at Figshare. For the last four years, she has helped researchers make the most of storing, sharing, and collaborating using Figshare and has written case studies, delivered talks and training, leads the ambassador programme, and more. Previously, she was a Product Manager at Emerald Publishing.

**THE VALUE OF OPEN ACCESS PUBLISHING IN TIMES OF COVID-19 PANDEMIC INFECTED RESEARCH ENVIRONMENT**

**BY MR ALFRED NQOTOLE, DEPUTY DIRECTOR RESEARCH SUPPORT AND SCHOLARLY COMMUNICATIONS, UWC LIBRARY SERVICES**

**OPEN ACCESS PUBLISHING: UWC EDITOR’S PERSPECTIVES**

**BY PROF M DINBABO AND PROF R SHAMBARE**

10:00 - 11:30

Facilitator: Alfred Nqotole

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